

**Amendment to the Specification:**

Please amend the text that constitutes original page 22 of the specification and replace with the following text:

carboxylic acid copolymers, EAA, ethylene acrylate copolymers, polybutylene, polybutadiene, polystyrene, PET, thermoplastic epoxy, nylons, polycarbonates, polyesters, polypropylene, ethylene-propylene interpolymers such as ethylene-propylene rubber, ethylene-propylene-diene monomer rubber, chlorinated polyethylene, thermoplastic vulcanates, EEA, ESI, polyurethanes, as well as graft-modified olefin polymers, and combinations of two or more of these polymers.

The invention is further illustrated by the following examples unless stated otherwise, all parts and percentages are by weight.

**EXAMPLES**

**Inert Extenders:**

The following homogeneously branched, substantially linear ethylene/1-octene copolymers were used as extenders in Examples 1-7.

Extender 1 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 as measured by ASTM D792 and a viscosity of 17,000 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.

Extender 2 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 as measured by ASTM D792, and a viscosity of 8,200 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.

Extender 3 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 As measured by ASTM D792, and a viscosity of 49,000 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.

~~Extender 4 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 as measured by ASTM D792 and a viscosity of 17,000 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.~~

~~Extender 5 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 as measured by ASTM D792, and a viscosity of 8,200 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.~~

~~Extender 6 had a density of 0.870 +/- 0.0025 As measured by ASTM D792, and a viscosity of 49,000 cP +/- 17% @ 177°C (350°F) as measured by the Brookfield Viscosity Method described below.~~

Please amend the text that constitutes original page 34 of the specification and replace with the following text:

#### Example 6

For Example 6, Extenders 1-[[6]]<sub>3</sub> were added to a TPO formulation prepared from a polypropylene homopolymer having a density of 0.89g/cm<sup>3</sup> and a melt flow index of 35 grams/10 minutes at 230°C, to which was added varying amounts of an elastomer, EL1, (which was an ethylene/1-octene copolymer having a density of 0.870 cm<sup>3</sup> and a nominal melt index of 5.0 grams/ 10 minutes at 190 °C, is purchased commercially from Du Pont Dow Elastomers as ENGAGE™ 8200) and Extenders 1 – [[6]]<sub>3</sub>. Unless stated otherwise, by the term " I2." for Example 6 is meant melt index, I2 in g/10 min measured using ASTM D-1238, Condition 190°C/2.16 kg.)

The blend compositions are summarized in Table 6 and the results of the evaluations are shown in Table 7:

Please amend the Table 6 that constitutes original page 35 of the specification and replace with the following Table 6:

**Table 6**  
**Compositions of TPO/Extender Blends of Example 6**

Ex #	Total Blend I2* (g/10 min)	PP C700-35N (wt % in total blend)	Total Elastomer + Extender (wt % in total blend)	EL1 (wt % in Elastomer + Extender)	Extender #	Extender (wt % in Elastomer + Extender)
6A	27.90	70.0	30.0	20.4%	1	9.6
6B	26.46	77.5	22.5	18.5%	[[5]]2	4.1
6C	29.51	77.5	22.5	16.9%	[[6]]3	5.6
6D	27.47	77.5	22.5	16.9%	[[4]]1	5.6
6E	27.93	70.0	30.0	22.5%	3	7.5
6F	27.45	77.5	22.5	18.5%	[[6]]3	4.1
6G	27.75	77.5	22.5	18.5%	1	4.1
6H	27.54	77.7	22.5	15.3%	[[4]]1	7.2
6I	28.3	77.5	22.5	15.3%	[[5]]2	7.2
6J	27.79	70.0	30.0	24.6%	2	5.4
Comp Ex 6	24.18	70.0	30.0	30.0%	NA	NA